

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete listing of the claims, and replaces all earlier versions and listings.

1. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus[[,]] comprising:

first coding means for creating first coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a first audio coding method;

second coding means for creating second coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a second audio coding method that is different from said first audio coding method;

control means for switchably selecting at least one of [[said]] the first coded data created by said first audio coding method and [[said]] the second coded data created by said second audio coding method; and

sending means for sending ~~the selected~~ at least one of [[said]] the first coded data and [[said]] the second coded data to another communication ~~device~~ apparatus,

wherein said sending means sends [[said]] the first coded data and [[said]] the second coded data when said control means switches selection from said first audio coding method to said second audio coding method while said communication apparatus is in communication with ~~the other~~ another communication ~~device~~ apparatus,
and

wherein said control means does not select the second coded data until a predetermined time has passed since said second coding means starts creating the second coded data.

2. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said sending means sends ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data ~~that are packetized in separate~~ using different data packets ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are sent.~~

3. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said sending means sends ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data ~~that are packetized in~~ using a same data packet ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are sent.~~

4. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said sending means sends ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data without connecting a new call.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using said a~~

first video coding method while ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data includes ~~a video signals~~
signal coded by ~~using said~~ a second video coding method.

7. (Currently Amended) A method of operating a communication apparatus, the method comprising:

a first coding step, ~~for~~ of creating first coded data including an audio
~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a first audio coding method;

a second coding step, ~~for~~ of creating second coded data including an
audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a second audio coding method that is different from
said first audio coding method;

a control step, ~~for~~ of switchably selecting at least one of ~~[[said]]~~ the
first coded data created by said first audio coding method and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded
data created by said second audio coding method; and

a sending step, ~~for~~ of sending ~~the selected~~ at least one of ~~[[said]]~~ the
first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data to another communication ~~device~~
apparatus,

wherein said sending step ~~sends said~~ includes sending the first coded
data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data when said control step switches selection from said
first audio coding method to said second audio coding method while said communication
apparatus is in communication with ~~the other~~ another communication ~~device~~ apparatus,
and

wherein said control step does not select the second coded data until a predetermined time has passed since said second coding step has started creating the second coded data.

8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 7, wherein said sending step ~~sends said~~ includes sending the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data that are packetized in separate using different data packets ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are sent.~~

9. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 7, wherein said sending step ~~sends said~~ includes sending the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data that are packetized in using a same data packet ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are sent.~~

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 7, wherein said sending step ~~sends said~~ includes sending the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data without connecting a new call.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 7, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using said~~ a first video coding

method while ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ said a second video coding method.

13. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus~~[[,]]~~ comprising:

receiving means for receiving at least one of first coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a first audio coding method and second coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a second audio coding method that is different from said first audio coding method;

first decoding means for decoding ~~[[said]]~~ the first ~~coding~~ coded data;

second decoding means for decoding ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data;

control means for switchably selecting at least one of an audio ~~signals~~ signal outputted by from said first decoding means and an audio ~~signals~~ signal outputted by from said second decoding means; and

output means for outputting the audio ~~signals~~ signal selected by said control means,

wherein said receiving means receives ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data when said control means switches selection from said first audio coding method to said second audio coding method while said communication apparatus is in communication with another ~~communicating device~~ communication apparatus, and

wherein said control means does not select the audio signal
outputted from said second decoding means until a predetermined time has passed since
said second decoding means has started decoding the second coded data.

14. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said receiving means receives [[said]] the first coded data and [[said]] the second coded data ~~that are packetized in separate~~ using different data packets ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are received.~~

15. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said receiving means receives [[said]] the first coded data and [[said]] the second coded data ~~that are packetized in~~ using a same data packet ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are received.~~

16. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said receiving means receives [[said]] the first coded data and [[said]] the second coded data without connecting a new call.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 13, wherein [[said]] the first coded data includes a video signals signal coded by ~~using said~~

a first video coding method while ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data includes a video signals signal coded by ~~using said~~ a second video coding method.

19. (Currently Amended) A method of operating a communication apparatus, the method comprising:

a receiving step, ~~for~~ of receiving at least one of first coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a first audio coding method and second coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a second audio coding method that is different from said first audio coding method;

a first decoding step, ~~for~~ of decoding ~~[[said]]~~ the first ~~coding~~ coded data;

a second decoding step, ~~for~~ of decoding ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data; and

a control step, ~~for~~ of switchably selecting at least one of an audio ~~signals~~ signal outputted in said first decoding step and an audio ~~signals~~ signal outputted in said second decoding step; and

an output step, ~~for~~ of outputting the audio ~~signals~~ signal selected in said control step,

wherein said receiving step ~~receives said~~ includes receiving the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data when said control step switches selection from said first audio coding method to said second audio coding method while said communication apparatus is in communication with another ~~communicating device~~ communication apparatus, and

wherein said control step does not select the audio signal outputted in said second decoding step until a predetermined time has passed since said second decoding step starts decoding the second coded data.

20. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 19, wherein said receiving step ~~receives said~~ includes receiving the first coded data and ~~[[said]] the~~ second coded data that are packetized in separate packets ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are received.~~

21. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 19, wherein said receiving step ~~receives said~~ includes receiving the first coded data and ~~[[said]] the~~ second coded data that are packetized in a same packet ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are received.~~

22. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 19, wherein said receiving step ~~receives said~~ includes receiving the first coded data and ~~[[said]] the~~ second coded data without connecting a new call.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 19, wherein ~~[[said]] the~~ first coded data includes a video signal coded by ~~using said~~ a first video

coding method while ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using said~~ a second video coding method.

25. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus~~[[,]]~~ comprising:

a first coder, arranged for creating first coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a first audio coding method;

a second coder, arranged for creating second coded data including an audio ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using~~ a second audio coding method that is different from said first audio coding method;

a controller, for switchably selecting at least one of ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data created by said first audio coding method and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data created by said second audio coding method; and

a ~~data~~ sender, arranged for sending at least one of ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data to another communication ~~device~~ apparatus, and

wherein said ~~data~~ sender sends ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data when said controller switches selection from said first audio coding method to said second audio coding method while said communication apparatus is in communication with ~~the other~~ another communication ~~device~~ apparatus, and

wherein said controller does not select the second coded data until a predetermined time has passed since said second coder starts creating the second coded data.

26. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said ~~data~~ sender sends ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data ~~that are packetized in separate~~ using different data packets ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are sent.~~

27. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said ~~data~~ sender sends ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data ~~that are packetized in~~ using a same data packet ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are sent.~~

28. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said ~~data~~ sender sends ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data without connecting a new call.

29. (Canceled)

30. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 25, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using said~~ a first video coding method while ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using said~~ a second video coding method.

31. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus~~[[,]]~~ comprising:

a receiver, arranged for receiving at least one of first coded data including an audio signals signal coded by ~~using~~ a first audio coding method and second coded data including an audio signals signal coded by ~~using~~ a second audio coding method that is different from said first audio coding method;

a first decoder, arranged for decoding ~~[[said]]~~ the first coding coded data;

a second decoder, arranged for decoding ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data;

a controller, arranged for switchably selecting at least one of an audio signals signal outputted by from said first decoder and an audio signals signal outputted by from said second decoder; and

an outputter, arranged for outputting the audio signals signal selected by said controller,

wherein said receiver receives ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second coded data when said controller switches selection from said first audio coding method to said second audio coding method while said communication apparatus is in communication with another ~~communicating device~~ communication apparatus, and

wherein said controller does not select the audio signal outputted from said second decoder until a predetermined time has passed since said second decoder starts decoding the second coded data.

32. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim 31, wherein said receiver receives ~~[[said]]~~ the first coded data and ~~[[said]]~~ the second

coded data ~~that are packetized in separate~~ using different data packets ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are received.~~

33. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein said receiver receives [[said]] the first coded data and [[said]] the second coded data ~~that are packetized in~~ using a same data packet ~~when said first coded data and said second coded data are received.~~

34. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein said receiver receives [[said]] the first coded data and [[said]] the second coded data without connecting a new call.

35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein [[said]] the first coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using said~~ a first video coding method while [[said]] the second coded data includes a video ~~signals~~ signal coded by ~~using said~~ a second video coding method.